

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4-9, 11-16, 18-22 and 24-26 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 2, 4-9, 11-14, 22, and 24-26 are allowed. Claims 15, 16 and 18-21 are rejected. Claims 15 and 24 are currently amended.

Claims 15 and 24 are subject to objection for informalities. The claims are currently amended as suggested by the examiner. Withdrawal of the objections is therefore requested.

Claims 15, 16 and 18-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. More particularly, the Office asserts that the definition of computer-readable medium includes a data signal embodied in a carrier wave. The specification is currently amended to remove the description which is the basis of the rejection. Withdrawal of the rejections is therefore requested.

For these reasons, and in view of the above amendments, this application is now considered to be in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited. Should there remain unresolved issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Applicants' Attorney at the number listed below so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully Submitted,

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